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SUBJ: GISCARD'S PRE-SUMMIT PRESS CONFERENCE

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1. IN PRE-SUMMIT PRESS INTERVIEW, GISCARD MADE
FOLLOWING POINTS ON POLITICAL MATTERS:
A. ON JENKINS' PARTICIPATION AT THE SUMMIT:
THE DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE NINE HAVE BEEN MISINTER-
PRETED. "IT IS NOW SAID THAT FRANCE AGREED THAT,
INSTEAD OF SEVEN PARTICIPANTS, THERE WOULD BE EIGHT."
"THIS IS NOT AT ALL WHAT WAS DECIDED AT ROME. IT WAS
DECIDED THAT THE COMMUNITY WOULD BE REPRESENTED AT
THESE SESSIONS WHERE COMMUNITY PROBLEMS WOULD BE
TREATED. NOTHING MORE. I WILL THEREFORE ARRIVE SATUR-
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DAY MORNING WHEN THE CONFERENCE BEGINS, AND THAT IS A
CONFERENCE OF SEVEN."

B. ON THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: THE AGREEMENT
OF THE NINE WILL NOT GO INTO EFFECT UNLESS IT IS
APPLIED BY EVERYONE. A DELAY BY ONE COUNTRY OR ANOTHER
WOULD THEREFORE AFFECT THE ENTIRE PROJECT.

C. ON HUMAN RIGHTS: US EMPHASIS IS LESS THAN

IT WAS SOME WEEKS AGO. AND THE STATE DEPARTMENT, IN PERSON OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE, HAS ADOPTED A MUCH MORE NUANCED POSITION. THERE ARE TWO ASPECTS TO QUESTION. ON THE PRINCIPLE, WE SUBSCRIBE COMPLETELY. "THERE IS ON THE OTHER HAND THE QUESTION OF HOW TO REACH THE BEST RESULTS ON HUMAN RIGHTS WITHOUT BLOCKING INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS, AND WE ARE PREPARED TO REFLECT ON THAT."

D. ON BREZHNEV VISIT TO FRANCE IN JUNE: VISIT COMES AT AN IMPORTANT JUNCTURE, BECAUSE OF SUBJECTS TO BE DISCUSSED, PROLIFERATION AND DETENTE, AND BECAUSE OF THE BELGRADE CONFERENCE. A CERTAIN NUMBER OF TEXTS IN THE AREA OF POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION WILL BE SIGNED.

E. ON THE BELGRADE CONFERENCE: FRENCH ATTITUDE WILL BE NEITHER COMPLAISANT NOR AGGRESSIVE. THE IMPORTANCE OF THE HELSINKI AGREEMENTS, WHICH WERE ORIGINALLY GREETED WITH DERISION, WAS UNDERESTIMATED. HAVE RECENTLY REREAD ENTIRE TEXT. IT HAS INTRODUCED IMPORTANT CHANGES IN THE DYNAMICS OF DETENTE. THE GERMAN-POLISH AGREEMENT ON THE RETURN OF GERMANS WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE WITHOUT IT. THE FINAL ACT DOES NOT REQUIRE EACH STATE TO, IN EFFECT, BECOME THE OTHER'S KEEPER. STATES SHOULD BE INVITED TO KEEP THE ENGAGEMENTS WHICH THEY SIGNED. THIS IS NOT JUST A MATTER OF THE THIRD BASKET. THERE ARE OTHER MATTERS, LIKE ANNOUNCEMENT OF MANEUVERS WHICH HAVE WORKED WELL.

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F. GISCARD MADE FOLLOWING BRIEF POINTS RE ARMS
CONTROL:

--HE DID NOT THINK THE LONDON SUMMIT WOULD
ADDRESS ARMS CONTROL NEGOTIATIONS. ANY AGREEMENT
PRESUPPOSES THE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF THE SOVIET
UNION.

--ASKED IF SOONER OR LATER THE NUCLEAR WEAPONS
STATES OF EUROPE WILL BE INVOLVED IN ARMS CONTROL
NEGOTIATIONS (IMPLICITLY SALT), GISCARD RESPONDED,
"NO."

--ASKED IF A NEW SOVIET ICBM (PRESUMABLY THE
SS-X-20) WOULD NOT CAUSE THE EUROPEANS TO BE INVOLVED,
GISCARD RESPONDED THAT THE QUESTION COULD ARISE.

G. ON NORTH-SOUTH, GISCARD SAID THE EUROPEANS
HAD AGREED ON THEIR POSITION REGARDING A COMMON FUND.
IF THEY CAN AGREE ON THIS POINT WITH THE AMERICANS,
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THEN THE WAY WILL BE OPEN FOR AN AGREEMENT AT THE
CIEC MINISTERIAL.

H. GISCARD RESPONDING TO A QUESTION ABOUT THE
DESIRABILITY OF ASSOCIATING EASTERN COUNTRIES WITH
DEBATE ABOUT THE NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER,
SAID IT IS FUNDAMENTAL BECAUSE THE EASTERN COUNTRIES
ARE IMPORTANT TRADING PARTNERS, AND BECAUSE THE
PRESENT STRUCTURE OF FINANCING DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE
CANNOT CONTINUE WITH THE WESTERN COUNTRIES RELYING ON
THE WORLD BANK, IDA, AND THE IMF, INSTITUTIONS WITH
WHICH THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES ARE NOT ASSOCIATED.
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